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2. Registration of the 1933 through 1935 Classes.

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1. In the afternoon of 13 January 1954, no special training activity was noted in the 9th May Barracks in Chel (N 51/P 37). The main building of the installation was surrounded by a wooden fence. A newly constructed wall was in front of the main entrance. Consecutively numbered targets were set up in the barracks area. A guard was observed in the large obstacle course adjoining the installation. Truck [] left, and box-shaped truck [] entered, the barracks yard. 1

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2. On 13 January 1954, new barracks installations were under construction on ul. Stalinova, about 300 meters west of the intersection of two streets, in Strilho (N 50/P 74). Newly constructed low buildings were opposite these installations. Soldiers wearing black-bordered red and red-bordered black epaulets were observed in the billets whose construction was not yet completed. The building at 16 ul. Stalinova quartered troops and was guarded by a sentry wearing red-bordered black epaulets. Boxes and a horse-drawn vehicle were observed in the courtyard of the fairly old building at 26 Gottwald Square, which adjoined a school and was guarded by soldiers. 2

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3. On 12 January 1954, the former Kreuzherrn Convent at 1 ul. Krizovnicka in Praha quartered troops. The guards at the two entrances on ul. Platnerska and soldiers observed at these entrances wore black-bordered red epaulets and greenish furs and fur caps. An unidentified number of small trucks was in front of the billets. 3

4. Prior to September 1953, the Rohace a Dube Barracks in Praha Vrsovice quartered IS troops and enlisted men of the "Inner Guard". The former Vozatajske Barracks (Supply Troops Barracks) in the same sector of the city quartered troops of the same branches of service. [] this installation was used for storing, rather than billeting. Reports of rallies were frequently heard from the installation. 4

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5. [redacted] provisional registration in the OVV building on Franciusska ul. in Praha-Vrsovice. The procedure included no medical examination. [redacted]

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[redacted] A registration held in the Sokol gymnasium in Praha-Vrsovice on 7 September 1953 involved numerous members of the 1934 and 1935 classes who were subject to the draft. The young men were interrogated as to their background, parents and other data. There was no medical examination. [redacted]

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[redacted] An original certification indicated that the Vrsovice recruiting office used a stamp inscribed "Otvorní vojenské velitelství, Praha-Vrsovice" (Praha Vrsovice Military District Headquarters).5

6. [redacted] members of the 1932 to 1934 classes subject to the draft registered in the Sokol gymnasium in Praha-Michle. [redacted]

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1. Comment. Elements of the 9th Inf Regt are carried in this barracks installation. [redacted]

2. Comment. The units stationed at Strikro are unidentified. However, it is believed that the soldiers observed belong to units of the 11th Mts Rifle Div. [redacted]

3. Comment. A previous report of May 1953 indicated that the former Kreuzherren Convent quarters troops. [redacted] The unit in the convent is still undetermined [redacted]

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4. Comment. Both installations quartered IS troops and other security troops for years. After the IS academy had moved to Olomouc in July 1952 and the border guard headquarters [redacted] had been transferred to Smichov at an earlier date the units in these installations were no longer identified. [redacted]

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5. Comment. From the registration of the 1934 and 1935 classes in the fall of 1953 it is concluded that induction of the first elements of the 1934 class is probably scheduled to commence in the spring of 1954. The induction of the 1933 class in the fall of 1953 is confirmed. [redacted]

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